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1. On 10 October, a proposal for the creation of an East German Ministry for Heavy Industry (Ministerium fuer Schwerindustrie) was presented to the Central Committee of the SED. The proposal was made in compliance with a Politburo decision of 22 September 1953. The proposed new Ministry is to include the present Ministry for Mining and Smelting, the State Secretariat for Coal, the State Secretariat for Power, and part of the State Secretariat for Chemistry (to be called Heavy Chemistry). The Main Administration for Mining Machinery Construction of the State Secretariat for Coal is to be transferred to the Ministry for Machine Construction. The suggested structural plan has been approved, and the Minister of Mining and Smelting Fritz Selbmann is to present the approved plan to the Council of Ministers for approval.

2. The following suggested table of organization for the Ministry has been approved in principle. It is to be examined and approved by the Table of Organization Commission (Stellenplankommission).

Department	Leading Personnel (Fuehrungskraefte)	Employees (Hilfskraefte)
Directorate of the Ministry	14	4
Central Departments:		
Education and Professional Training	9	2
Chief Security Inspectorate	11	3
Cadre	8	3
Planning	11	4
Investments	12	4
Labor	12	4
Legal and Contract Arbitration Office	6	3

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Department	Leading Personnel (Fuehrungskraefte)	Employees (Hilfskraefte)
Main Department for Technology and Reconstruction	46	12
Commercial Department	20	5
Auditing	11	2
Budget	11	2
General Administration	12	9
Motor pool	1	72
Material Procurement	12	3
Transportation Department	7	2
Marketing Department for Coal	9	2
Marketing Department for Metallurgy	20	4
Marketing Department for Chemistry	32	9
TOTAL	264	149
Coal		
Deputy to the Minister	7	2
Main Administration for Lignite	68	16
Main Administration for Mineral Coal	52	11
TOTAL	127	29
Metallurgy		
Deputy to the Minister	7	2
Main Administration for the Iron Industry	86	20
Main Administration for the Nonferrous Metals Industry	63	16
Main Administration for Auxiliary Metallurgical Plants	45	9
TOTAL	201	47
Power		
Deputy to the Minister	17	4
Main Administration for Electric Power Underload Distribution	75	21
Main Administration for Gas	34	7
TOTAL	245	56

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Department	Leading Personnel (Fuehrungskraefte)	Employees (Hilfskraefte)
Heavy Chemistry		
Deputy to the Minister	7	2
Main Administration for Heavy Chemistry	72	18
Main Administration for Liquid Fuels	56	11
Main Administration for Potash and Non-Metallic Mining	56	11
TOTAL	191	42
GRAND TOTAL	1,028	323

3. The leading personnel of the Ministry will be as follows:

Minister	Fritz Selbmann
State Secretary and First Deputy	Richard Goschuetz
Personnel Director for the Ministry	Rudolf Ramolla
Coal	
Deputy to the Minister	Kier (fnu)
Main Administration for Lignite	
Director	Kohl (fnu)
Technical Director	Heyer (fnu)
Main Administration for Mineral Coal	
Director	Oelzner (fnu)
Power	
Deputy to the Minister	Rolf Jeczmionka
Main Administration for Electric Power	
Director	Heinz Adler
Technical Director	Noeldecke (fnu)
Chief Load Distributor	Keck (fnu)
Main Administration for Gas	
Director	Schacht (fnu)
Metallurgy	
Deputy to the Minister	Rudolf Steinwand
Main Administration for the Iron Industry	
Director	M. Friedr...
Technical Director	Wilhelm Salzer
Main Administration for the Nonferrous Metals Industry	
Director	Dr. Dieter Zauleck
Technical Director	Bulla (fnu)

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Main Administration for Auxiliary Metallurgical Plants
Director (acting) — Lorenz (fnu)

Chemistry

Deputy to the Minister — Dr. Werner Winkler

Main Administration for Heavy Chemistry
Director — Grueneberg (fnu)

Main Administration for Potash and Non-Metallic Mining
Director — Helmuth Richter

Main Administration for Liquid Fuels ---

4. The work of the new Ministry is to be financed for the rest of 1953 from funds from the budget (Haushaltsmitteln) available to the individual components of the new Ministry in 1953. Selbmann is to work out a budget plan for the Ministry for the rest of 1953 and a unified budget plan for the whole Ministry is to be established for 1954; it is to be based on the preliminary work on budget plans for the components of the Ministry thus far completed. Final balances for 1953 will be calculated separately for the components of the Ministry. The 1954 production plan for the Ministry is to be drawn up from planning data (Planunterlagen) already prepared.

5. The new Ministry is to take over the following SAG plants which are to be returned to East Germany on 1 January 1954:

Walzwerk fuer Buntmetalle, Hettstedt

Eisenhuettenwerk Thale

Maschinenfabrik und Eisengiesserei Silbitz/Grossen

Maschinenfabrik und Eisengiesserei Krautheim

Leuna-Werke "Walter Ulbricht", Merseburg

Buna-Werke, Zschkopau

Agfa-Wolfen, Bitterfeld

Elektrochemisches Kombinat Bitterfeld

Synthesewerk Schwarzheide

Stickstoffwerke Piesteritz/Wittenberg

Braunkohlenkombinat Espenhain

Doelzen **(sic)**

The structure of the Ministry will in no way be changed by the return of the SAG plants. The additional personnel requirements which will result from the return of the SAG's will be taken into consideration in the 1954 budget plan.

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